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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS**  
**UNDER 35 U.S.C 371**

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February 15, 2007

Sir:  
Responsive to the RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING  
REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C 371 mailed Janauary 18, 2007, Applicants  
submit herewith the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney, along with the  
required surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e).

Our Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$130.00 is attached.

As required, a copy of the NOTIFICATION of January 18, 2007 is enclosed  
herewith.

Please charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any  
overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 50-1417.

Respectfully submitted,

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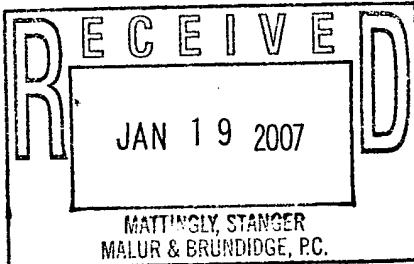
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**NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 01/23/2006
- English Translation of the IA filed on 01/23/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 01/23/2006
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 01/23/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 01/23/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 01/23/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 01/23/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 01/23/2006
- Specification filed on 01/23/2006
- Claims filed on 01/23/2006
- Abstracts filed on 01/23/2006
- Drawings filed on 01/23/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity:

- **\$130 Surcharge.**

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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